

**REMARKS:**

Claims 15-21 are in the case and replace the formally presented claims.

"Support element" previously referred to is now called a -- stiffening element -- to more accurately describe its function as supported by the specification.

The mould is defined as being a one-piece silicone, sheet-like tray with a peripheral wing having a peripheral edge is clearly shown in the drawings and supported by the specification. This is believed to clearly distinguish over U.S. Patent 4,045,153 to Maurino et al. in terms of structure.

The stiffening element is sufficient by itself to stiffen the wing of the tray to permit the mould to be lifted by the wings without damage. No complimentary support elements such as the bottom and side walls 15, 14 of Maurino et al. is required.

The remaining claims 16-21 define other features of the invention including features of the elected species and features of the non-elected species in case claim 15 is found allowable.

Issues concerning the priority document have been addressed in the previous Amendment. The previous Amendment was also accompanied by a Substitute Declaration so that priority is believed now properly claimed.

By this Amendment thus the application and claims are believed to be in condition for allowance and favorable action is



respectfully requested.

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